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**SPHERION PACIFIC WORKFORCE, LLC**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VALERIE D. WATSON-SMITH, AND ALL  
 OTHER SIMILARLY SITUATED,

Plaintiff,

v.

SPHERION PACIFIC WORKFORCE, LLC,  
 and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Defendant.

Case No. C 07 05774 JSW

**STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]  
 ORDER TO CONTINUE EARLY  
 NEUTRAL EVALUATION  
 CONFERENCE**

**(NORTHERN DISTRICT LOCAL  
 RULE 5-5)**

STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER TO CONTINUE EARLY NEUTRAL EVALUATION CONFERENCE

On February 6, 2008, Judge White referred this matter to Early Neutral Evaluation ("ENE"). The parties (defendant Spherion Atlantic Enterprises LLC and Plaintiff Valerie Watson-Smith) were assigned a deadline of May 8, 2008 to complete the ENE. The parties held a pre-ENE telephone conference with assigned evaluator Sandra McCandless on May 5, 2008. During the pre-ENE telephone conference, the parties and the evaluator discussed the status of this pending action, and the fact that disputes regarding Plaintiff's discovery requests did not enable the Plaintiff to review important information requested from Defendant before proceeding with an ENE. Evaluator McCandless voiced her concern that proceeding with the ENE at this stage of the litigation may not be beneficial to the parties due to the pending disputes. The parties and Ms. McCandless agreed that it would be more beneficial to continue the deadline for completing the ENE for six months so the parties will be in a better position to analyze their respective positions and prepare for the evaluation. Ms. McCandless suggested, and the parties agreed, that the parties should request that the Court continue the deadline for completing the ENE six months.

**IT IS STIPULATED AS FOLLOWS:**

The deadline for completing the ENE in this matter shall be continued from May 8, 2008 November 7, 2008. The parties have met-and-conferred and agree that the continuance of the ENE is justified, due to discovery disputes and their impact upon the parties ability to participate effectively in an ENE. .

**IT IS SO STIPULATED.**

DATED: May \_\_\_\_, 2008

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1 DATED: May \_\_\_\_, 2008

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3 By /s/Daniel H. Qualls

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4 Attorney for Plaintiff Valerie Watson-Smith,  
and all others similarly situated.

7 **ORDER**

8 The Stipulation of the Parties is adopted by the Court.

9 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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11 DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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District Judge Jeffrey S. White